

Binomial Branch model

- S. Pliska, "Discrete-time financial models" (1997)
- S. Shreve, "Discrete time financial models"

Two assets:  $S_1(t, \omega) = B(t)$ ,  $S_2(t, \omega) = S(t, \omega)$

$B(0) = B_0$ ,  $B(T) = (1+rT)B_0$  (simple interest)

Two market states:  $\Omega = \{\omega_1, \omega_2\} = \{u, d\}$

One-period,  $S(T, \omega_1) = uS_0$ ,  $S(T, \omega_2) = dS_0$

Assume  $B_0 > 0$ ,  $S_0 > 0$ .

Suppose  $X(\omega)$  is a "contingent claim";  
 $X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $X(\omega_1), X(\omega_2)$  known.

Let  $\underline{\Phi} = \{\phi_1, \phi_2\}$  is a portfolio with value

$$\begin{aligned} V(T, \omega) &= \underline{\Phi}A(T, \omega), \quad \omega \in \Omega \\ &= \phi_1 S_1(T, \omega) + \phi_2 S_2(T, \omega) \\ &= \phi_1 B(T) + \phi_2 S(T, \omega) \end{aligned}$$

Seek a replicating portfolio for  $X$ :  $\underline{\Phi}$  s.t.

$$V(T, \omega) = X(\omega) \text{ for all } \omega \in \Omega$$

Using  $w = u, d$  we find that

$$V(T, u) = \phi_1 B(T) + \phi_2 S(T, u)$$

$$V(T, d) = \phi_1 B(T) + \phi_2 S(T, d)$$

$\Rightarrow$  Solve for  $\phi_1, \phi_2$  as in HW #1.

Assuming  $d < 1+rT < u$ , so that market is arbitrage-free.

Principle of no arbitrage  $\Rightarrow$

$$V(0) = \phi_1 B(0) + \phi_2 S(0)$$

where  $V(0)$  is the "fair" or no arbitrage price of  $X$  in market  $\{B, S, V\}$ .

Simplify, to find that

$$V(0) = \frac{D(T)}{D(0)} \{ q_d V(T, d) + q_u V(T, u) \}$$

"Risk-neutral" pricing formula,

$$D(T) = 1/B(T), D(0) = 1/B(0), \text{ and}$$

$$q_d = \frac{u - (1+rT)}{u - d}, \quad q_u = \frac{(1+rT) - d}{u - d}$$

Note:  $q_u > 0, q_d > 0$  and  $q_u + q_d = 1$

So usually choose  $q_u = q, q_d = 1 - q$ .

State Price Vector, Risk Neutral  
"measure" and Risk-Neutral (or  
No Arbitrage) Price

Defn: Consider  $t$ -period model,  $p$  assets,  
 $m$  states,  $\Omega = \{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_m\}$ ,  
price functions  $\{S_1(t, \omega), \dots, S_p(t, \omega)\}$ ,  
 $t=0$  or  $T$ .

Asset Price Vector:  $A(t, \omega) = \begin{pmatrix} S_1(t, \omega) \\ \vdots \\ S_p(t, \omega) \end{pmatrix}_{p \times 1}$

matrix of prices:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} S_1(T, \omega_1) & \dots & S_1(T, \omega_m) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ S_p(T, \omega_1) & \dots & S_p(T, \omega_m) \end{pmatrix}_{p \times m}$

$A(0) = \begin{pmatrix} S_1(0) \\ \vdots \\ S_p(0) \end{pmatrix}_{p \times 1}$

We call  $\psi = (\psi_1, \dots, \psi_m)^* \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is a state price vector for the given market if

$\psi_j > 0$  for  $j=1, \dots, m$  and

$$\boxed{A(0) = A\psi}$$

$p \times 1 \quad p \times m \quad m \times 1$

Define  $\Pi(t, \omega) := \mathbb{1} \otimes A(t, \omega)$ . Then  $\mathbb{1}$   
 $\otimes$   
is an arbitrage if

(a)  $\Pi(0) < 0$  and  $\Pi(T, \omega) \geq 0 \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega$  or

(b)  $\pi(0) = 0$  and  $\pi(T, \omega) \geq 0 \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega$  and  
 $\pi(T, \omega') > 0$  some  $\omega' \in \Omega$

Market is arbitrage-free if  $\nexists$  an  
arbitrage portfolio (trading strategy).

Theorem: The 1-period, finite-state  
model is arbitrage free  $\Leftrightarrow$   
there is a state price vector for this  
model.

First Fundamental Theorem of Asset  
Pricing

Interpretation of the State Price Vector

Suppose  $\exists \underline{\Phi} = (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_p)$  such that

$$\pi(T, \omega_i) = \underline{\Phi} \cdot A(T, \omega_i) = 1, \quad i=1, \dots, m$$

(Like a "zero-coupon bond".)

Such a portfolio is risk-free: independent  
of market state  $\omega_i \in \Omega$  at  $T$ .

$$\Rightarrow \pi(0) = \underline{\Phi} \cdot A(0) = \sum_{i=1}^p \phi_i S_i(-)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Risk-free return} = \frac{1}{\underline{\Phi} \cdot A(0)}$$

$$\pi(0) = \underline{\Phi} \cdot A(0)$$

$$\pi(T, \omega) = 1$$

$$\forall \omega \in \Omega$$

Example (Exercise) If  $S_i(\tau, \omega) = B(\tau)$  (money market account) then

$B(\tau) = \frac{1}{\Phi \cdot A(\omega)}$  and  $D(\tau) = \Phi \cdot A(\omega)$  is called the discount factor.

Example (Exercise)  $\Phi \cdot A(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_i$ , and positive.

Soln:  $\Phi \cdot A(\omega) = \Phi A \psi = (\underbrace{\Phi A}_{1 \times m}) \cdot \psi = (1, \dots, 1) \cdot \psi$   
 $= \sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_i$

using  $\underbrace{\Phi}_{1 \times p} A(\tau, \omega_i) = 1$ ,  $i=1, \dots, m$

$\underbrace{\Phi}_{1 \times p} A = (1, \dots, 1)$  D

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### State Price Vector (continued)

Completeness: Given a derivative security with payoff  $X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{E}[X(\omega)]$ ,  $\omega \in \Omega$ , then the market is complete if there is a replicating portfolio,  $\Phi = (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_p)$ ;

$$X(\omega) = \sum_{j=1}^p \phi_j S_j(\tau, \omega) \text{ for all } \omega \in \Omega$$

$$=: V(T, \omega) \text{ (portfolio)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } V(T) &= (V(T, \omega_1), \dots, V(T, \omega_m))_{1 \times m} \\ &= (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_p) \begin{pmatrix} S_1(T, \omega_1) & \dots & S_1(T, \omega_m) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ S_p(T, \omega_1) & \dots & S_p(T, \omega_m) \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{matrix} V(T) & = & \Phi A(T) \\ 1 \times m & & 1 \times p \quad p \times m \end{matrix}$$

Suppose market is arbitrage free, so  $\psi$  exists so that  $A(0) = A\psi$ .

$$\text{Arbitrage-freeness} \Rightarrow V(0) = \Phi \cdot A(0)$$

$1 \times p \quad p \times 1$

where  $V(0)$  is no-arbitrage price at  $t=0$  of contract with payoff  $X(\omega) \equiv V(T, \omega)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \psi \text{ exists} \Rightarrow V(0) &= \Phi(A\psi) = (\Phi A)\psi \\ &= V(T)\psi \\ &= (V(T, \omega_1), \dots, V(T, \omega_m)) \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \vdots \\ \psi_m \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow V(0) = \sum_{i=1}^m \psi_i V(T, \omega_i)$$

Risk-neutral pricing formula in terms of

the state price vector,

$$\text{Risk-return: } D(T) = \sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_{i,T}$$

$$\Rightarrow V(0) = D(T) \cdot \sum_{i=1}^3 q_{i,T} V(T, \omega_i), \quad \text{where}$$

$$q_{i,T} = \frac{\psi_{i,T}}{\sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_{i,T}}$$

$$\text{Notice: } q_1 + \dots + q_m = 1, \quad q_i > 0 \\ i = 1, \dots, m$$

Define  $Q: \Omega \rightarrow [0,1]$ , risk-neutral measure, by

$$Q(\omega_i) = q_i$$

$$\text{Then } V(0) = D(T) \sum_{i=1}^3 Q(\omega_i) V(T, \omega_i)$$

$$\text{ie } \boxed{V(0) = D(T) \mathbb{E}_Q[V(T)]}$$

Arrow-Debreu Security the  $i$ th Arrow-Debreu Security has payoff

$$e_i(\omega) = \begin{cases} 1, & \omega = \omega_i \\ 0, & \omega \neq \omega_i \end{cases}$$

Suppose the market is arbitrage free and complete: can find a state price vector  $\psi$  (arbitrage-free need)

$$\Rightarrow V(0) = \sum_{k=1}^3 \psi_k V(T, \omega_k)$$

where  $V(T, \omega) =$  value of portfolio

replicating  $i^{\text{th}}$  Arrow-Debreu security,  $e_i$

$$\Rightarrow V(0) = \psi_i \quad V(T, \omega_i) = \psi_i \underbrace{e_i(\omega_i)}_{=1} = \psi_i$$

$$\text{because } V(T, \omega_k) = e_i(\omega_k) = \begin{cases} 1, & k=i \\ 0, & k \neq i \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow \psi_i$  is the no arbitrage price at  $t=0$  of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  Arrow-Debreu security,  $e_i$

## Key Ideas in the Proof of the First Fundamental Theorem of Asset Pricing

Model is arbitrage free  $\Leftrightarrow \exists \psi = (\psi_1, \dots, \psi_m)$  so that  $A(0) = A\psi$   
 $\begin{matrix} p \times 1 & p \times m & m \times 1 \end{matrix}$   
and  $\psi_i > 0, i=1, \dots, m$

## Separating Hyperplane Theorem

Theorem: Let  $K, M$  be two closed, convex cones in  $\mathbb{R}^{m+1}$ . Then

- (i)  $K \cap M = \{ \vec{0} \} \subset \mathbb{R}^{m+1}$
- (ii)  $K$  contains no lines through  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^{m+1}$

$\Leftrightarrow \exists \alpha$  in  $\mathbb{R}^{m+1}$ ,  $\alpha \neq \vec{0}$ , so that

$$\begin{cases} \alpha \cdot x > 0, & \forall x \text{ in } K, x \neq \vec{0} \\ \alpha \cdot y \leq 0, & \forall y \text{ in } M \end{cases}$$

Also see Duffie, "Dynamic Asset Pricing Theory".

## Complete + Incomplete Markets + State Price Vector

$X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\omega \mapsto X(\omega)$  is a "contingent claim", "option", "derivative security".

Can view as random variable + represents payoff of some contract.

$X$  is attainable in market if  $\exists$  trading strategy  $\underline{\Phi} = (\phi_0, \dots, \phi_p)$  s.t. that

$$X(\omega) = \pi(T, \omega) := \sum_{j=1}^p \phi_j S_j(T, \omega) \quad \forall \omega$$

Buyer of contract pays  $\pi(0)$  (=?) @  $t=0$  to seller of contract paying  $X(\omega)$  to buyer @  $t=T$ .

Principle of no arbitrage  $\Rightarrow$

$$\pi(0) = \sum_{j=1}^p \phi_j S_j(0)$$

## Second Fundamental Theorem of Asset Pricing Theory

Assume model is arbitrage-free. Then model is complete  $\Leftrightarrow$  the risk-neutral measure  $\mathbb{Q}$  (i.e. the state price vector  $\psi$ ) is unique.

Recall "First" theorem: model is arbitrage free  $\Leftrightarrow$  risk-neutral measure  $\mathbb{Q}$  (ie state price vector  $\psi$ ) exists.

Examples ①  $r = 1/9$ ,  $S_1 = B$ ,  $S_2 = S$  with prices

$$B(0) = 1, \quad B(\tau) = (1+r)B(0) = 1 + 1/9 = 10/9$$

$$S(0) = 5, \quad S(\tau, \omega_1) = 20/3, \quad S(\tau, \omega_2) = 40/9$$

$$\Omega = \{\omega_1, \omega_2\}$$

Is arbitrage-free market?

Can we find  $\psi$  (or  $\mathbb{Q}$ ) so that

$$q_1 + q_2 = 1, \quad q_1 > 0, \quad q_2 > 0 \quad \text{and}$$

$$S_j(0) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}} [S_j(\tau)] D(\tau), \quad j=1, 2$$

$$A(0) = A\psi \quad (\text{rewritten})$$

$$\underline{j=1:} \quad 1 = S_1(0) = B(0) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}} [S_1(\tau)] D(\tau)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}} [B(\tau)] D(\tau) = B(\tau) D(\tau)$$

$$\Rightarrow D(\tau) = 1/B(\tau) = 9/10$$

$$\underline{j=2:} \quad \frac{S(0)}{2} = S(0) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}} [S_2(\tau)] D(\tau)$$

$$\frac{5}{2} = (q_1 S(\tau, \omega_1) + q_2 S(\tau, \omega_2)) \frac{9}{10}$$

$$\frac{5}{2} = \left( q_1 \cdot \frac{20}{3} + q_2 \cdot \frac{40}{9} \right) \cdot \frac{9}{10}$$

ie

$$\boxed{S = 6q_1 + 4q_2} \text{ and}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{matrix} q_1 + q_2 = 1 \\ q_1 > 0, q_2 > 0 \end{matrix}}$$

Suppose  $q_1 = q_2 = \frac{1}{2}$ ?

Works! Arbitrage-free model, because  $\mathcal{Q}(\equiv \psi)$  exists.

Complete model, because  $\mathcal{Q}(\equiv \psi)$  unique  $\square$

Example  $m=3, p=2$  with  $S_1 = B, S_2 = S$   
 $B(0) = 1, r = 1/9, B(T) = \frac{10}{9}$  and  $S(-) = S$

$$S(T, \omega_1) = \frac{20}{3}, S(T, \omega_2) = \frac{40}{9}, S(T, \omega_3) = \frac{30}{9}$$

model arbitrage-free?

Solution: check existence of  $\psi$  so that  
 $A(0) = A(T)$  (ie  $\mathcal{Q}$  so that)

ie 
$$S_j(0) = \sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_i S_j(T, \omega_i)$$

ie 
$$S_j(0) = D(T) \sum_{i=1}^3 q_i S_j(T, \omega_i)$$

where  $q_i = \frac{\psi_i}{D(T)}, D(T) = \sum_{i=1}^3 \psi_i$ .

ie 
$$S_j(0) = D(T) \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{Q}}[S_j(T)]$$

Solution:  $j=1, D(T) = 1/B(T) = 9/10$

$j=2$ : 
$$S(0) = D(T) \left\{ q_1 S(T, \omega_1) + q_2 S(T, \omega_2) + q_3 S(T, \omega_3) \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow S = \frac{9}{10} \left\{ q_1 \cdot \frac{20}{3} + q_2 \frac{40}{9} + q_3 \cdot \frac{30}{9} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{S = 6q_1 + 4q_2 + 3q_3}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} q_1 + q_2 + q_3 &= 1 \\ q_1 > 0, q_2 > 0, q_3 > 0 \end{aligned}}$$

Find  $(q_1, q_2, q_3) = (\lambda, 2-3\lambda, -(1+2\lambda))$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

where  $\frac{1}{2} < \lambda < \frac{2}{3}$ .

Infinitely many solutions exist.

$\Rightarrow$  model is arbitrage-free.

Is model complete?

2nd Fund theorem says market cannot be complete. Geometrically ...

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} S_1(\tau, \omega_1) & S_1(\tau, \omega_2) & S_1(\tau, \omega_3) \\ S_2(\tau, \omega_1) & S_2(\tau, \omega_2) & S_2(\tau, \omega_3) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 10/9 & 10/9 & 10/9 \\ 20/3 & 40/9 & 30/9 \end{pmatrix}$$

Market is complete  $\Leftrightarrow$  solution  $\psi$  to  
 $(px) A(\omega) = A\psi$  is  
unique  $(px)(m \times 1)$

$\psi$  (or  $\mathbb{Q}$ ) not unique, so not complete.

For example, spec  $X(\omega) = (X(\omega_1), X(\omega_2), X(\omega_3))$ .  
 Can we find  $\mathbb{Q}$  so that

$$\mathbb{E} A(\tau, \omega) = X(\omega), \quad \omega \in \Omega$$

$$|e^1| \quad \mathbb{E} A(\tau, \omega_1) = X(\omega_1), \quad \mathbb{E} = (\phi_1, \phi_2)$$

$$\mathbb{E} A(\tau, \omega_2) = X(\omega_2), \quad A(\tau, \omega) = \begin{pmatrix} B(\tau) \\ S(\tau, \omega) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbb{E} A(\tau, \omega_3) = X(\omega_3)$$

$$|e^2| \quad \frac{10}{9} \phi_1 + \frac{20}{3} \phi_2 = X_1$$

$$\frac{10}{9} \phi_1 + \frac{40}{9} \phi_2 = X_2$$

$$\frac{10}{9} \phi_1 + \frac{30}{9} \phi_2 = X_3$$

Find that solution exists,  $\underline{e} \in X(\omega)$   
is attainable, iff

$$\boxed{X_1 - 3X_2 + 2X_3 = 0}, \quad X_i \in X(\omega_i)$$

Other payoffs not attainable + market  
not complete.